



County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Social Services

Bryce Yokomizo
Director

April 3, 2002

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE
APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT FOR
REFUGEE CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
(ALL DISTRICTS - 4 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the attached appropriation adjustment for the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) Program.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The RCA program provides a cash grant to adult refugees for the first eight months of settlement in the United States. The RCA caseload more than doubled during FY 2000-01 and has increased more than was anticipated thus far during FY 2001-02. The FY 2001-02 caseload is expected to exceed the budgeted level by \$1.4 million. Approval of this appropriation adjustment will provide sufficient funding to authorize monthly cash benefits under the RCA Program for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action is consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Service Excellence, by enabling the provision of RCA benefits to qualified individuals.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The FY 2001-02 appropriation for RCA is \$2,851,000. Due to higher than anticipated refugee resettlement costs during the first half of the fiscal year, RCA expenditures of \$4,265,000 are projected. An appropriation increase of \$1,414,000 is needed to provide cash benefits to eligible refugees for the remainder of the current fiscal year. The RCA program is fully subvented by federal revenue, with no net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONAL/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Payment of cash grants to refugees is authorized under the Refugee Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-212), Welfare and Institutions Code Section 13000 - 13008.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Approval of the appropriation increase will provide for issuance of RCA grant payments for the balance of FY 2001-02.

Respectfully submitted,



Bryce Yokomizo
Director

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Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor-Controller

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTDEPT'S. 140
No.

DEPARTMENT OF Public Social Services

March 20, 1988

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OF ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

(4 - VOTE)
FISCAL YEAR 2001-02SOURCES

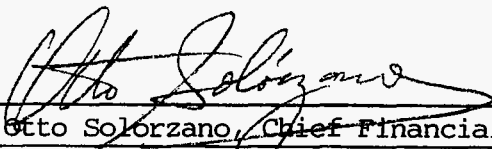
A01-SS-26438-8901
Federal Aid - Pub. Assist Prog. \$1,414,000

USES

A01-SS-26438-5837
R-RRP-Adult \$1,414,000

Justification

This budget adjustment is necessary to reflect the appropriation needed in the Department of Public Social Services for grant payments under the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) program which is fully subvented with Federal revenue.


Otto Solorzano, Chief Financial Officer

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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| REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR— | ACTION | APPROVED AS REQUESTED | AS REVISED |
| RECOMMENDATION | | 19 | CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER |
| AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BY | | APPROVED (AS REVISED): BOARD OF SUPERVISORS | 19 |
| No. | 19 | BY | DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK |

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